



Waddell News



Michael Moynihan, Principal

January 2015

Principal's Message

Happy New Year to the Waddell Community! I hope that everyone enjoyed the holidays and is ready to start 2015. Our winter recess was long this year but well deserved by our hard working students and faculty. The students appeared excited to be back to their regular routine in their classrooms. It was nice to welcome everyone back! Typically, at the end of the month our students would be taking the NWEA (Northeast Evaluation Association) tests. However, this year the students will not be taking them until the end of the year. We will be using other tools to measure the progress of our students in order to drive our instruction for the remainder of the school year.

We had two new members join our staff this past month. Please join me in welcoming Mrs. Christina Fedolfi and Mrs. Andrea Newberry. Mrs. Fedolfi has joined our Grade 4 team with Ms. Ginn and Mr. Benson. She has taught in Maine and Massachusetts and she relocated to CT last year. Mrs. Newberry is joining us as an additional building sub who will work with Mr. Fromme in the classrooms and help cover teachers when they are out for Professional development or illness. Mrs. Newberry has come back to teaching after taking time off to start her family. Both ladies have hit the ground running and are a nice addition to our faculty.

As I am sure you have seen by the PTA, there is a committee looking to improve pick up and drop off. We are looking for the best ways to keep our students safe. There will be more details to follow after the planning committee has explored all of the options. At this point there is a team of faculty and parents working with the town and the Manchester Police Department.

January Date Book

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| Jan 5 | Welcome Back! |
| Jan 6 & 7 | Pick-up / Drop-off Meeting |
| Jan 8 | Science Interventions |
| Jan 9 | Gr 4 – Field Trip – West Hartford Children's Museum |
| Jan 14 | PTA Meeting – 3:50 pm – Library "Flashlight Reading Event" with UCONN ~ 5:45 – 7:00 pm |
| Jan 15 | Science Interventions |
| Jan 16 | PTA School Store PTA Family Movie Night – Gym |
| Jan 19 | NO SCHOOL ~ Martin Luther King's Birthday |
| Jan 22 | Gr K – Mystic Aquarium Visits Science Interventions |
| Jan 23 | Mid-term Progress Reports |
| Jan 29 | Gr K – Mystic Aquarium Visits Science Interventions |
| Jan 30 | Gr 1 – Hartford Symphony Visits |

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

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Principal

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Secretary

860-647-3392

Mrs. Carol Walker

Nurse

860-647-3394

Mrs. Melissa Lawton

Social Worker

860-647-5697 (ext 73398)

Cafeteria

860-647-3396

**Attendance and
Weather Hot Line**

860-647-3399

*Happy
New Year*

2015



Nurse's Corner

Healthy Smiles



- Brush your teeth at least twice a day.
- Use Fluoride toothpaste to help prevent tooth decay.
- Dental floss helps remove food and plaque which can lead to cavities.
- See a dentist regularly for preventive cleanings and for prompt treatment of cavities or tooth injury.



Library News

Our Winter Book Fair was very successful.



Thank you for all your generous support!



Many new books have arrived for your children to read and enjoy!

PTA Updates



Family Movie Night

January 16th – Gym

\$1.00 Admission

Includes Popcorn and Water



All students **MUST** be accompanied by and **STAY** with an adult

Next PTA Meeting

Wednesday, Jan. 14th ~ 3:50 pm ~ Library

All are invited to attend!

Babysitting is available.

Phys Ed Updates

Adventure Education will begin

All grades are using our ROCK WALL

ALL students MUST WEAR SNEAKERS to participate in any Rock Wall Activities

Students :



- must follow all safety rules
- should learn how to tie own sneakers
- Students who forgot sneakers will be given other activities to do



Inclement Weather

Please listen carefully to the TV or Radio for announcements and updates or receive a

FREE Text message from your local News Station.

Late Openings ~ 90 Minutes

School begins at 10:35 am

DO NOT DROP your child off unsupervised.

Early Closing ~ 1:17 pm

Be sure your child knows exactly what to do and where to go on these days!



The office cannot provide after school childcare

PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE SCHOOL.

At times, no one will be available to answer the phone.

FREE - FREE - FREE

Receive a **FREE** text message when school is Closed or Opening Late or Closing Early



Log on to your local news station and register your cell phone

Example: wfsb.com

select – School Closings

select – Get School Closing Alerts

enter – Your Name and Cell Phone Number

Select all school groups you would like to be notified about





READING ALOUD

Do you have worries when you read aloud? You're not alone. Many parents avoid reading aloud to their kids. However, reading aloud is one of the best ways to help your youngster succeed in school. Keep these tips in mind:

- ★ Take your time and don't rush the story. Your child can tell if you're in a hurry. Reading slowly will help you read clearly.
- ★ As you feel more comfortable, try changing your voice to show the character's feelings – joy, sadness, fear. These variations can make the story more exciting for both of you!

Flashlight Reading Night

Join us for a night of fun with the UCONN Women's Hockey Team

January 14th
5:30 pm – 7:00 pm
(Bring a blanket)



UCONN friends will handout flashlights, a book and a surprise gifts



A UCONN athlete joins each family as the lights get turned off and you read together by flashlight!

Pizza served in the Cafeteria at 5:30 pm

RSVP by Jan 9th to Mrs. Bryan
(Family Resource Center)



Please be sure to update the office if you have:

New Emergency Contacts
New Phone number's

Updated mailing info
E-mail changes

If you haven't completed your student's information on-line with infosnap
Please complete it immediately



Winter Wonderland
Family Fitness Night
was a great success!!!!



Mrs. Bianchi would like to
thank everyone who came out to this great event!

A special thanks to all the volunteers
who made this night possible:



Mrs. Bryan
Ms Daigle
Ms Kerr

Mrs. A Medynski

Mrs. Bundy
Ms Golino
Mrs. Lawton
Ms. Shellito

P.B.S. Highlights

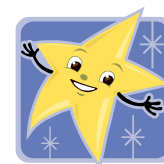
(Positive Behavior Support)



We had our first Fabulous Friday
for all of our Respectful Students!

Let's set our goals high
for the new year!

Respect Yourself
Respect Others
Respect the School



Like 'ROSE', let's keep our
Waddell Eagles soaring high in 2015!

Project Playground

We raised \$116.50 on
PTA Wacky
Tacky
Ugly Sweater
Day



Congratulations to
Mrs Reinwald's class
for raising the most

Thank you to everyone who
participated and helped raise
funds for Project Playground

Be sure to register your courtesy cards

Every Year!!

School earns free money
for supplies



Stop & Shop
Register at school
or at the store
(Separate from gas points)

Shop Rite
Register at
School or at
the store



Project Playground

We raised \$143.01 on
Bertucci's Day



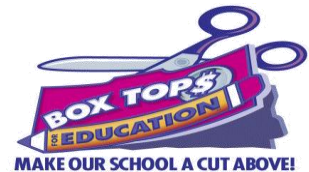
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SAVE SAVE SAVE

Labels for Educations & Box Tops

Keep sending them in!



REMINDER



Arrive on time

- 8:40 am Breakfast door opens (Recess door)
- 8:55 am 1st Bell Rings
- 9:05 am 2nd Bell Rings - School day begins
(After 9:05 am - All students must
enter Main Office Door and are TARDY)

Pick up on time

- 3:25 pm Regular day dismissal
- 1:17 pm ½ day dismissal



For the SAFETY of all Students & Staff

- We ask that Parents **NOT** enter the building and visit classrooms or the cafeteria - please make an appointment with the teacher (please say goodbye's outside)
- ALL Visitors **MUST** sign in at the Office
- **ALL** doors to the building are locked at **ALL** times

School Hours

School doors open at 8:55 am

Students are **Tardy** if they
arrive **after 9:05 am**

They start their day playing "catch up."



***Make a New Year's Resolution to be on time!**
It will greatly increase the opportunity for success.*

School dismisses at 3:25 pm

Please make every effort to pick up on time!
The office does **NOT** have anyone to Supervise
waiting students.



Remember to call the school
attendance line if your child
will be absent.
647-3399

Title IX Notice

Title IX is a federal law which states: "No person in the United States shall on the basis of sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal assistance." Manchester's Title IX coordinator is: Ms. Terri Smith
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